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**RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

These remarks are in response to the Office Action mailed March 30, 2000 setting the response time for 3 months to June 30, 2000. Enclosed please find a petition for a three month extension of time, extending the due date to September 30, 2000; therefore, this response is timely filed. Kindly enter the amendments and remarks into the above-referenced application.

**Amendment**

**In the claims**

Kindly delete claims 13 and 14. Kindly amend claims 1, 2, 5-7, 9, 10, 11, 15-17, 19 and 20 as follows: